

# Math 164: Problem Set 2

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{3.2} \quad \mathbf{a.} \quad [\mathbf{e}_1 \quad \mathbf{e}_2 \quad \mathbf{e}_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 \\ -4 & 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} &= [\mathbf{e}'_1 \quad \mathbf{e}'_2 \quad \mathbf{e}'_3] \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{T} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 3 & -1 & 5 \\ -4 & 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{42} \begin{bmatrix} 28 & -14 & -14 \\ 29 & -19 & -7 \\ -11 & 13 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b.} \quad [\mathbf{e}_1 \quad \mathbf{e}_2 \quad \mathbf{e}_3] &= [\mathbf{e}'_1 \quad \mathbf{e}'_2 \quad \mathbf{e}'_3] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{T} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{3.3} \quad [\mathbf{e}_1 \quad \mathbf{e}_2 \quad \mathbf{e}_3] &= [\mathbf{e}'_1 \quad \mathbf{e}'_2 \quad \mathbf{e}'_3] \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{T} &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{T}^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 3 \\ 1 & -5 & -3 \\ -1 & 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{B} &= \mathbf{TAT}^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{B} &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -10 & -8 \\ -1 & 8 & 4 \\ 2 & -13 & -7 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{3.5} \quad \det(\lambda I_4 - \mathbf{A}) &= (\lambda + 1) \det(\lambda I_3 - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}) \\ &= (\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 1) \det(\lambda I_2 - \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}) = (\lambda + 1)(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 2)(\lambda - 3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3+1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 3-1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -5 & 3-2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 3-3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2+1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 2-1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -5 & 2-2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 2-3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$$

$$2x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$x_1 - x_2 - 4x_4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$-3x_2 - 4x_4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x_3 - \frac{1}{3}x_4$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1+1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1-1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -5 & -1-2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & -1-3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 24 \\ -12 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = 0$$

$$2x_1 + 5x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$x_1 - x_2 - x_4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 5x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$x_2 + 2x_4 = 0$$

$$9x_4 = x_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1+1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1-1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -5 & 1-2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 1-3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Giving us eigenvectors } v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 24 \\ -12 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}, v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ with}$$

corresponding eigenvalues 3, 2, -1, 1 for  $\mathbf{A}$ .

Let  $[v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4]$  be our new basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .  $\mathbf{T} = [v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4]^{-1}[e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4] =$

$[v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4]^{-1}$  If  $\mathbf{B}$  is our linear transformation with respect to basis

$[v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4]$ , then  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{TAT}^{-1}$

$$= [v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4]^{-1} \mathbf{A} [v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4] = [v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4]^{-1} [\lambda_1 v_1, \lambda_2 v_2, \lambda_3 v_3, \lambda_4 v_4] =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**3.6** We can rewrite the characteristic polynomial for  $\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A}$ ,

$\det(\lambda' \mathbf{I}_n - (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A}))$ , as  $\det((\lambda' - 1) \mathbf{I}_n + \mathbf{A})$ .

It follows  $\det((\lambda' - 1) \mathbf{I}_n + \mathbf{A}) = (-1)^n \det((1 - \lambda') \mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A})$ . If  $\lambda_i$   $i = 1 \dots n$  are the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$ , then  $\det(\lambda \mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A}) = 0$  if  $\lambda = \lambda_i$  for  $i = 1 \dots n$ .

Take  $\lambda'_i = 1 - \lambda_i \Rightarrow (-1)^n \det((1 - \lambda'_i)\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A})$   
 $= (-1)^n \det((1 - (1 - \lambda_i)')\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A})$   
 $= (-1)^n \det(\lambda_i \mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A}) = 0.$   
Hence,  $\det(\lambda' \mathbf{I}_n - (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A})) = 0$  if  $\lambda' = 1 - \lambda_i \Leftrightarrow 1 - \lambda_i$  are the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{A}$ .

**3.8**  $\mathcal{N}(A) \triangleq \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = 0\}$ .  $\det(0\mathbf{I}_3 - \mathbf{A}) = 4(-2) - (-2)(4) = 0$  Row-reduce  $\mathbf{A}$  to reduced row-echelon form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_2 = R_2 + R_3 - R_1,$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_1 = \frac{1}{2}R_1,$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad R_3 = R_3 - R_1,$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x_1 - x_2 = 0, -2x_2 + x_3 = 0. \text{ Let } x_2 = s \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{s}{2}, x_3 = 2s.$$

$$\text{Thus, } \mathcal{N}(A) = \text{span}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}\right).$$

**3.16** All principal minors are nonnegative:

$$\det(2) = 2,$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 0,$$

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \det(\lambda \mathbf{I}_3 - \mathbf{A}) &= (\lambda - 2) \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - 2 & 2 \\ -2 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} + 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -2 \\ -2 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} - 2 \det \begin{bmatrix} -2 & \lambda - 2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (\lambda - 2)(\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 4) + 2(-2\lambda - 4) - 2(-8 + 2\lambda) \\ &= \lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 + 4\lambda - 2\lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 8 - 4\lambda - 8 + 16 - 4\lambda \\ &= \lambda^3 - 4\lambda^2 - 8\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

$\det((-1)\mathbf{I}_3 - \mathbf{A}) = 3, \det((-2)\mathbf{I}_3 - \mathbf{A}) = -8$ , so by IVT,  $\mathbf{A}$  must have a negative eigenvalue. Thus,  $\mathbf{A}$  cannot be positive semidefinite.

**3.17** (a)  $\mathbf{Q}$  is said to be indefinite if the matrix takes on both positive and negative eigenvalues.  $\det(\lambda \mathbf{I}_3 - \mathbf{Q}) = \lambda \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ -1 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} + 1 \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} - 1 \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & \lambda \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda(\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 1) - 2(\lambda + 1) = (\lambda^2 - \lambda - 2)(\lambda + 1) = (\lambda + 1)^2(\lambda - 2) \Rightarrow \mathbf{Q}$  has both positive and negative eigenvalues. Thus,  $\mathbf{Q}$  is indefinite.

(b)  $\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{x} = \langle \mathbf{x}, \begin{bmatrix} x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 + x_3 \\ x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \begin{bmatrix} -x_1 \\ -x_2 \\ -x_3 \end{bmatrix} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{x} \rangle = -\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 < 0$  for all  $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$ , so  $\mathbf{Q}$  is negative definite.

**3.18** (a)  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_2^2$ . For  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x_2^2 \geq 0$  for all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . Thus,  $f$  is positive semidefinite.

(b)  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - x_1x_3 = \mathbf{x}^\top \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$ . Let  $\mathbf{A} =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\det(\lambda I_3 - \mathbf{A}) = \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \lambda - 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda - \frac{1}{4(\lambda-1)} \end{bmatrix} = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda^2 - \lambda - \frac{1}{4}) = (\lambda - 2)(\lambda - \frac{1}{2}(1 - \sqrt{2}))(\lambda - \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{2})).$$

Because  $\mathbf{A}$  has positive and negative eigenvalues,  $\mathbf{A}$  is indefinite.

(c)  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 + x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 = \mathbf{x}^\top \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$ .

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .  $\det(\lambda I_3 - \mathbf{A}) = (\lambda - 1) \det \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & -1 \\ -1 & \lambda - 1 \end{bmatrix} + \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & \lambda - 1 \end{bmatrix} - \det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & \lambda \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^3 - 2\lambda^2 - 2\lambda = \lambda(\lambda - 1 + \sqrt{3})(\lambda - 1 - \sqrt{3})$ . Because  $\mathbf{A}$  has positive and negative eigenvalues,  $\mathbf{A}$  is indefinite.

**3.20**  $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 5x_3^2 + 2\xi x_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 + 4x_2x_3 = \mathbf{x}^\top \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \xi & -1 \\ \xi & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}$

Suffices to find values for  $\xi$  s.t  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \xi \\ \xi & 1 \end{bmatrix} > 0$  and  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \xi & -1 \\ \xi & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} > 0$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \xi \\ \xi & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1 - \xi^2 \Rightarrow -1 < \xi < 1$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \xi & -1 \\ \xi & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = 1 \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - \xi \det \begin{bmatrix} \xi & 2 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} - 1 \begin{bmatrix} \xi & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 1 - \xi(5\xi + 2) - (2\xi + 1) = 1 - 5\xi^2 - 2\xi - 2\xi - 1 = -5\xi^2 - 4\xi \Rightarrow \xi(5\xi + 4) < 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{4}{5} < \xi < 0.$$

Thus,  $-\frac{4}{5} < \xi < 0$  for the quadratic form to be positive definite.

**3.21** We are given  $\mathbf{Q}$  is a symmetric positive definite matrix.

Positivity: Given that  $\mathbf{Q}$  is positive definite  $\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} > 0$  for all  $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$ , and  $\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} = 0$  if  $\mathbf{x} = 0$ .

Symmetry:  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{Q}^\top \mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{y} = \langle \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} \rangle = \mathbf{y}^\top \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle_{\mathbf{Q}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Additivity: } \langle \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle_Q &= \langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \rangle_Q = \mathbf{z}^\top \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = (\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{z})^\top (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) \\
&= \langle \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \mathbf{z}^\top \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{z}^\top \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{y} \\
&= \langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x} \rangle_Q + \langle \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_Q = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z} \rangle_Q + \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \rangle_Q
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Homogeneity: } \langle \mathbf{r}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_Q = (\mathbf{r}\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{r}\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_Q$$